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SEINERS GET SMALL CATCHES.

SALT MACKEREL SHOW ADVANCE IN PRICES IN LAST SALES.

Four of the seining fleet are at T wharf today with small catches of mackerel, all taken on the Rips. One small lot of salt mackerel arrived here, sch. Monarch having 12 barrels, 11 of which are tinkers and one barrel large fish.

The salt fish brought a large advance over last sales, for the tinkers brought \$16 and the large mackerel \$20, the E. K. Burnham Fish Company buying the lot.

At Boston yesterday afternoon steamer Quartette landed 4000 large fresh mackerel, mostly large, selling at 28 cents for large, 20 cents for mediums and 8 cents for tinkers.

This morning sch. Mary E. Harty has 6000 fresh mackerel, about all large and 2500 tinkers and sch. Veda M. McKown hails for 800 large and 4500 tinkers. The prices are pleasing to the fishermen, for the large fish brought 31 cents each, the mediums selling at 20 and 21 and the tinkers at 7 and 8.

Quite a number of the seiners are expected to soon be making a shift of voyage if the mackerel prospects do not improve a lot soon.

The boats at Port Clyde, Me., landed a few fresh mackerel yesterday.

Heath's trap at Magnolia took 1300 mackerel yesterday and this morning made another haul of 1500 fish, both lots being brought here. The fish were mixed, being large, medium and mixed, being large, medium and tinkers.

Capt. Welch Saw No Mackerel to the Eastward.

Capt. Martin L. Welch of sch. Lucania and Capt. John Matheson of sch. Monarch both report some mackerel on the Cultivator, but they would not stay up any time, and it was impossible to stop them. After leaving the Cultivator, Capt. Welch decided to have a good look to the eastward and ran across to the Lurcher and then cruised all over the Bay of Fundy without seeing a sign of mackerel. He then worked up the Maine coast and yesterday looked about Ipswich bay, but saw nothing. All the time they had the finest kind of weather and as nothing was seen Capt. Welch is of the opinion it is a pretty dry prospect to the eastward.

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ASSISTED SCH. SLADE GORTON.

But Capt. Solomon Jacobs Lost School of Mackerel in Consequence.

Capt. Solomon Jacobs of the steamer Quartette, which was at T wharf, Boston, yesterday afternoon with 4000 large fresh mackerel stated that the best school of mackerel he sighted during the last three foggy days was lost because he went to the assistance of the stranded seiner Slade Gorton.

Capt. Jacobs and his men were just about ready to jump into the seine boat and go after a big school of fish which showed off the port side, when the skipper sighted the Slade Gorton on the most dangerous part of the dreaded shoal and getting into a worse position every minute.

The Quartette, drawing only six feet of water, was able to steam over the shoal and get a line to the bow of the Gorton. It was then discovered that Capt. Heckman and part of his crew were over a mile away in their seine boat, chasing a school of mackerel.

Capt. Jacobs had been pulling on the Gorton for about an hour when the steamer Bessie M. Dugan hove in sight, towing Capt. Heckman and his crew in their seine boat. Both the Dugan and the Quartette worked for three hours before the Gorton was dragged over the 100 feet of shoals into clear water.

Nova Scotia's Shipbuilding Industry.

The vessel building industry on the south shore of Nova Scotia is very active at the present time, mainly, if not solely, on account of the increased interest in the bank fisheries. Six new vessels will be launched on the LaHave in time for next season's work and at Lunenburg we hear that one of the big yards has orders for six new ones as soon as they can be delivered. Other skippers and prospective skippers have placed orders at Liverpool, Shelburne and other points along the coast, so unless something of a very discouraging character should develop this season we may expect next year to see quite a respectable addition to the size of our banking fleet—Halifax Maritime Merchant.

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Captain Caught Turtle.

Off the southeast part of Georges bank last week, Capt. George Turner of the swordfisherman Blanche F. Irving at T wharf yesterday morning, was on the pulpit reaching over to send the iron into a big fish, when he saw a big snapping turtle floating on top of the water. While two of the crew chased the swordfish, Capt. Turner put out in another dory and working cautiously, got a line around the turtle and towed him to the vessel. He tipped the scales at 150 pounds and added a bit to the vessel's stock.

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ARETHUSA'S MEN FINED \$50 EACH

Money For Payment telegraphed by Owners of Vessels. Men Will Rejoin Craft at North Sydney Or Halifax.

The 17 members of the crew of the salt trawl bank codfishing sch. Arethusa of this port, who were tried at St. John's, N. F., charged with illegally taking bait in Newfoundland waters, were found guilty and fined \$50 each, with the alternative of three months imprisonment in default of payment.

All the men pleaded guilty and the money for the payment of the fines was immediately telegraphed from Thompson Company, owners of the vessel, so that the men will be freed today.

Sch. Arethusa, which has been at St. Pierre, Miquelon, awaiting the result of the trial, will now go to North Sydney, C. B., or Halifax, and there take on the 17 men, who will go to either of these ports by the earliest steamer leaving St. John's. The schooner, as soon as the men return, will at once proceed on her codfishing trip.

Details of the affairs are still lacking, but it is reported that the men working with seven dories, were taking bait with a caplin seine close in shore, when surprised by the Fiona, and that in connection with their trial yesterday, the dories and caplin seine were declared confiscated.

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Portland Fish Notes.

The fishing sch. Margaret of Gloucester, which arrived at Portland Tuesday evening from Georges, sold her fare, about 8500 pounds, to the F. S. Willard Company at 10 cents per pound right through, a decided improvement on the prices paid last week, more than double in fact. The scarcity of halibut at the present time explains the difference.

Mackerel are coming along very slowly, but few having been found the past few days anywhere along the coast. Considerable quantities of blueback herring are being found, the steamers Dolphin and Pef each bringing in 100 barrels Wednesday, taken near Pumpkin Rock, off Boothbay. Sch. Robert and Carr also came in with 85 barrels and in addition brought in a vicious looking shark which she found entangled in her nets.

The fishing steamer Carrie and Mildred has gone out of commission and hauled up at Central wharf for an indefinite period. Capt. George McLain, her master, has become discouraged at the poor luck lately encountered and will go into the lobster business.

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SPLITTERS GET BOSTON FISH.

GOOD GEORGES FARE LANDED THIS MORNING BY SCH. CORSAIR.

During the night sch. Corsair came in from a salt Georges drifting trip with a good fare, 38,000 lbs. salt cod and steamer Hurricane brought in 115 barrels of bluebacks, the largest seen yet this season and landed them at the freezer.

Yesterday afternoon sch. John Hays Hammond with 70,000 pounds of fresh fish and sch. Richard J. Nunan with 100,000 pounds of fresh fish came down from Boston. Their fares will go to split, as also will the small lot brought up from Portland by sch. Margaret.

Yesterday afternoon also sch. Arabia came in with 30 barrels of salt mackerel and Heath's trap reported a haul of 1000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. James A. Garfield, one of the crafts which the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company has been using in the winter and spring herring fishery at Bay of Islands, and which has already landed one cargo, arrived here yesterday afternoon light.

During the forenoon sch. Stiletto came in from down off Chatham with a few barrels of salt mackerel.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

- Sch. John Hays Hammond, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Richard J. Nunan, via Boston, 100,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Margaret, via Portland, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Arabia, off Cape Cod, 30 bbls. salt mackerel.
- Sch. Corsair, Georges, drifting, 38,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Steamer Hurricane, shore, 115 bbls. fresh bluebacks.
- Steamer Jeffery, shore, 5 bbls. fresh bluebacks.
- Heath's trap, 1000 fresh mixed mackerel.
- Sch. Mary E. Harty, via Boston.
- Sch. Veda M. McKown, via Boston.
- Sch. Reliance, shore.
- Steamer Water Witch, shore.
- Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.
- Sch. Stiletto, off Chatham, seining.
- Sch. James A. Garfield, Bay of Islands, N. F.

Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Priscilla Smith, seining.
- Sch. Frances P. Mesquita, shacking.
- Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, had-docking.
- Sch. Massachusetts, dory handlining.
- Sch. Elk, halibuting.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

- Sch. Gladys and Sabra was at Liverpool, N. S., on Tuesday and cleared.
- Schs. Evelyn L. Thompson and Avalon were at Lunenburg, N. S., on Tuesday and cleared.

On the Railways.

- Sch. Arabia is on the Rocky Neck railways.
- Sch. Veda McKown is on Burnham Brothers railways.
- Sch. Monarch is on Parkhurst's railways.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

- Salt mackerel, \$20 per bbl. for large and \$16 per bbl. for tinkers.
- Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.12 1-2 per cwt. for large, \$3.62 1-2 for mediums and \$2.75 for snappers.
- Handline Georges codfish, large \$4.87 1/2, medium \$4.37 1/2, snappers \$3.
- Salt "Drift" codfish, large, \$4.62 1/2, medium \$4.25.
- Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.12 1/2, medium \$3.62 1/2.
- Haddock, \$2.00.
- Pollock, \$1.75.
- Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.
- Hake, \$1.75.
- Eastern shack trip cod, \$4.12 1/2 for large and \$3.62 1/2 for medium.
- All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above prices.
- Salted whiting, \$2 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

- Haddock, \$1.15 per cwt.
- Large cod, \$2.40 per cwt.; medium, \$1.85 per cwt.
- Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.35 per cwt. for large and \$1.90 for mediums.
- Cusk, large, \$1.75; mediums, \$1.25; Hake, \$3.00.

- Dressed pollock, 90 cts., round, 80 cts.
- Bank halibut 10 1-2 cents per lb. for white and 8 1-2 cents for gray.
- Fresh "drift" codfish, large, \$2.60 per cwt.; mediums, \$2.05.
- Cape North cod, \$2.20 for large and \$1.75 for mediums.
- Fresh large mackerel 19 cts. each; mediums 12 cts., tinkers 5 cts. each.
- Fresh shad, \$3.15 per bbl.
- Fresh whiting, 60 cts. per bbl.

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CATCH MACKEREL IN SMALL SEINES

FLEET OFF NEWPORT, R. I., SECURED SOME TINKERS YESTERDAY.

The Times correspondent at Newport, R. I., writes under date of yesterday "Some time ago I predicted in a wire to you that there would be good doings out this way on mackerel for small boats with seines. Now for the past week several boats thus equipped, have been catching some fish, and today we had the following in:

- Sch. Thomas B. Condon, 11 barrels.
- Sch. Wood and Mack, 9 barrels.
- Sch. Clara T., 19 barrels.
- Sch. Alice, 25 barrels.
- These were all mackerel and not bullseyes and they sold at five cents per fish and were shipped to Boston.
- There are no mackerel arrivals at Boston this morning and no encouraging word comes from any direction regarding mackerel schooling.
- Yesterday Heath's trap made another haul, having 1000 mackerel, mixed in size all the way from large to tinkers, and yesterday afternoon sch. Arabia, which has been down off Chatham, came in with 30 barrels of salt mackerel.

The fare of salt mackerel of sch. Arabia will go to Sylvanus Smith & Company, owners of the vessel. The 30 barrels, with the exception of one barrel are all large fish. No price has been made on them this morning, but it is safe to predict that they will bring over \$20 per barrel.

The salt mackerel of sch. Stiletto will go to William H. Jordan & Co.

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TWO ARRIVALS AT T WHARF.

FOUR SMALL FARES WERE RECEIVED YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Sch. Maud F. Silva with 62,000 pounds of ground fish and sch. Lafayette with 105 swordfish are all the arrivals at T wharf today, and the dealers will have nothing to hinder them from getting away early to attend their annual outing at Paragon Park, as the Silva is going to Gloucester with about all of her fish and it didn't take very long to sway out the big catch of the Lafayette.

Yesterday afternoon three of the market fleet had small catches and steamer Bethulia brought in 150 barrels of fresh bluebacks.

This morning what few fish the Maud F. Silva took out went at \$1.25 and \$1.50 for haddock, \$2.50 for pollock and \$3 for large cod. The Lafayette got 4 cents for her swordfish.

Boston Arrivals.

- The fares and prices in detail are:
- Sch. Maud F. Silva, 45,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 1500 pollock, 1 swordfish.
- Sch. Lafayette, 105 swordfish.
- Sch. Arbitrator, 3000 haddock, 12,000 cod.
- Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 14,000 haddock, 9000 cod.
- Sloop Reliance, 14,000 cod.
- Sch. Bethulia, 150 bbls. fresh haddock.
- Haddock, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3; market cod, \$2.50; pollock, \$2.50; hake, \$1; swordfish, 4 cts. per cwt.

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THE ORIGIN OF NAMES OF VESSELS

Where the Titles of the Various Rigs Originated.

Schooner the Only One from Purely American Source.

Dr. Johnson's dictionary, published in 1733, just before the dawn of the American Revolution, says the New York Nautical Gazette, defines a ship as "a large, hollow building made to pass over the sea with sail." The root of the word is unknown, though it is derived from the Old English "schip," which in turn is derived from the Anglo-Saxon "scip," or "scyp." In Gothic, Icelandic, and Old Frisian it is "skip," in Dutch "schip," Danish "skib," Swedish "skepp," and German "schiff."

The German word, though pronounced "shiff," supplies us our word skiff, a small, light boat. All of which proves the close kinship between the people of Northern Europe, from whom Americans are mainly descended. The word "bark" is also so spelled in Dutch. Its other English form, "barque," is also the French form. In Danish it is "bark," and German "barke." The Italian and Spanish form is "barca," which meant any small craft. The source of the word is "bari," which dates back to Egypt and the Nile.

It is a vessel most favored by the poets, who, however, probably used the word in a comprehensive sense concerning any vessel. Milton, in his poem "Lycidas," written to commemorate a friend drowned at sea, refers to "that perfidious bark built in the eclipse and rigged with curses dark." Lovers of Tom Moore will readily recall his lines, "Oh, steer my bark for Erin's Isle."

"Barge," which now has an entirely different meaning from "bark," is derived from the same source. It formerly meant a sailing vessel of any sort. The Dutch word is "bargie" and Low Latin "barga." In his "Canterbury Tales" Chaucer says of the shipman: "His barge yclept was the Maud eleyne." In our day barge has at least half a dozen meanings, but does not now mean a deep sea vessel. It is used to convey coal, and it is used to convey royalty—being then styled a "State Barge."

"Brigantine" conjures up the sea brigands of the Mediterranean who originated this type of vessel, which was formerly called "brigandine," a light vessel such as has been formerly used by corsairs or pirates. The German name for brigantine is the same as ours, the Dutch "brigantijn," Swedish and French "brigantin," and Italian "brigantino."

Spenser and Milton both use the older form of "brigandine," while Otway, a young poet, contemporary with Milton, writes in "Venice Preserved": "In your brigantine you sailed to see the Adriatic wedd." "Brig" is of course a contraction of brigantine. In Danish it is the same as in English, while in Dutch and Arabic it is "brik," in French "brick," and in German and Swedish "brigg."

Schooner is Admittedly of Local Origin.

"Schooner" is distinctively American. It is an old story, oft repeated, that the first schooner was launched at Gloucester in 1713. "See how she scoons," exclaimed a bystander. "A schooner let her be," replied her builder, Capt. Andrew Robinson; and that settled.

The word "schoon" is of Scottish origin and means to skim, or skip. In Dutch, German and French the word is the same as the English; in Swedish it is "skonert," Danish "skonnert," Spanish and Portuguese "escun," Russian "skhuna," and in Turkish "uskuna."

The yacht was first introduced in England in 1661 when, according to Evelyn, the Dutch East India Company presented a yacht to Charles II. In Dutch it is spelled "jagt," pronounced "yart," and French "yacht," pronounced "yatt."

"Sloop" is from the Dutch "sloop," and is pronounced the same. Our American word "stooop" is also derived from the Dutch "stoep" and similarly retains the Dutch pronunciation.

Another type of craft is the "pram," French "prahm," a flat bottomed boat used on the coast of Holland and in the Baltic sea. "Shallop" is said to be either American or East Indian in origin. The French call it "chaloûpe," the Germans "schaluppe," while in Spanish and Portuguese it is "chalupa," and Italian "scialuppa."

"Smack," uncommon on this side of the Atlantic, is familiar enough on the coasts of the British Isles and Europe, and is the name given to a small coasting vessel used largely in fishing. Its Dutch name is "smak," Low German "smack," Danish "makke," German "schmacke," and French "semaque."

Some Titles Which are now Practically Obsolete.

The "pinnacle," now obsolete as a vessel of commerce, is still in naval use. The French word is "pinasse," Spanish "pinazza," Italian "pinassa," all derived from the Latin "pinus," a pine, from which timber it was constructed. In his ballad, "The Revenge," Tennyson mentions how "the pinnacle like a fluttered bird, came flying from far away" to report the approach of the Spanish fleet. In his history of New England Winthrop writes: "There came from Virginia in to Salem a pinnacle of 18 tons, laden with corn and tobacco." As an English word it dates back to Saxon times.

"Packet" applied to vessels carrying passengers and mails under government control, has, since the introduction of steam, become almost obsolete, although there are yet several "steam packet companies." The word originated with the famous packet service established in 1688 at Falmouth, Cornwall, having stage-coach connection with London. At one time there were fifty vessels in this line, which

served among other places New York, Charleston and Savannah. During the war of 1812 one of these packets, the "Townshend," surrendered, off Barbados, to two American privateers, after a desperate resistance. When steam superseded sail and stage coach, Falmouth lost this trade, which was diverted to Liverpool and Southampton.

The word "frigate" has, in our own day, become obsolete. The French word is "fregate," Spanish "fragata," Italian "fregata." A vessel of Mediterranean origin, it is traced back to the Latin word "fabricata." It was first used in England in Queen Elizabeth's reign, and in the eighteenth century was applied exclusively to vessels of war. In naval parlance a frigate was rated as such when she carried from 20 to 50 guns, and was a swift sailer. Our modern cruiser is the immediate successor of the frigate, which, both under sail and steam, has played a prominent part in the history of the American navy. The corvette, also obsolete, was the name applied to war vessels next in size to the frigate.

SCARCITY OF BAIT BOTHERED.

GEORGESMAN AND SHACKER HAVE SMALL FARES IN CONSEQUENCE.

Three of the seining fleet are here this morning. They have no fish and their skippers and crews are not charmed with the prospect, so one will shift over to haddocking, while another is likely to haul up for a while at least.

Yesterday afternoon the shore gaskiners got a blank on bluebacks, but took about 2500 small fresh mackerel in all. Sch. Maud F. Silva brought down 60,000 fresh fish from Boston and sch. Margaret Dillon came up from Portland with 30,000 pounds of fresh cusk, both fares going to the splitters.

Sch. Pythian, from Georges salt drifting, has a fine catch, 45,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Terra Nova, from an eastern cod shacking trip, brings 100,000 pounds of salt cod, which is a good catch, considering how scarce bait has been.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Terra Nova, Sable Island Bank, 100,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Pythian, drifting, 45,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Maud F. Silva, via Boston 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, via Portland 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, seining, 2 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Shenandoah, seining.

Sch. Aloha, seining.

Sch. Little Fannie, shore, 600 small fresh mackerel.

Steamer Mindora, shore, 400 small fresh mackerel.

Steamer Alice, shore, 300 small fresh mackerel.

Steamer Marchant, shore, 400 small fresh mackerel.

Steamer Mystery, shore, 900 small fresh mackerel.

Sch. Sylvania, seining.

Sch. Lafayette, via Boston.

Steamer Hurricane, shore.

Steamer Gertrude, shore.

Vessel Sailed.

Sch. Teazer, halibuting.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon, halibuting.

Sch. Lucania, seining.

Sch. Blanche F. Irving, swordfishing.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, haddocking.

Sch. Mina Swim, drifting.

Sch. Marsala, Georges.

Sch. Reliance, shore.

Sch. James A. Garfield, Maine coast.

Sch. Addie W. Story, Maine coast.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Rena A. Percy was at Shelburne, N. S., Wednesday and cleared for the fishing ground.

Sch. Bohemia, Capt. Ormsby Seeley, one of the salt trawl bank fleet of this port, was in on the Labrador Coast for harbor yesterday.

PORT OF GLOUCESTER.

Coastwise Arrivals.

Sch. Stella Francis, New York, coal for Cape Ann Anchor Works.

Sch. Abbie Bowker, Sullivan, Me., stone for New York.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Salt mackerel, \$20 per bbl. for large and \$16 per bbl. for tinkers.

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Handline Georges codfish, large \$4.87½, medium \$4.37½, snappers \$3. Salt "Drift" codfish, large, \$4.62½, medium \$4.25.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.12½, medium \$3.62½.

Haddock, \$2.00.

Pollock, \$1.75.

Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.75.

Eastern shack trip cod, \$4.12½ for large and \$3.62½ for medium.

All codfish with napes picked bring 25c over the above prices.

Salted whiting, \$2 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

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Large cod, \$2.40 per cwt.; medium, \$1.85 per cwt.

Peak and Western bank fresh codfish, \$2.35 per cwt. for large and \$1.90 for mediums.

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Dressed pollock, 90 cts., round, 80 cts.

Bank halibut 10 1-2 cents per lb. for white and 8 1-2 cents for gray.

Fresh "drift" codfish, large, \$2.60 per cwt.; mediums, \$2.05.

Cape North cod, \$2.20 for large and \$1.75 for mediums.

Fresh large mackerel 19 cts. each; mediums 12 cts., tinkers 5 cts. each.

Fresh shad, \$3.15 per bbl.

Fresh whiting, 60 cts. per bbl.

On the Railways.

Sch. Rex is on Burnham's railways.

Halibut Trip Stock.

Sch. John Hays Hammond, Capt. Lemuel E. Spinney, stocked \$2600 as the result of her 14 days halibut trip, the crew sharing \$62.50 clear.

CAPT. GIBBS' STATEMENT.

ADMITS THAT HE BOUGHT BAIT ON THE NON-TREATY COAST.

The St. John's, N. F., Chronicle of Monday publishes the following as the official and voluntary statement of Capt. Gibbs of the fishing sch. Harmony of Boston, recently seized by the Newfoundland authorities on the charges of violation of the bait act and not reporting at custom house and fined \$1200 therefor, which fines were paid:

Newfoundland, Southern District, Dawson's Cove, To wit—

"The voluntary statement of Christopher Gibbs, master of the schooner Harmony of Boston, U. S. A., who saith—

"I am Master of the schooner Harmony and my present crew are—Lewis Johnson, cook; John Gearin, Ernest Gearin, Everet Osker, Osbury Doey, Edward Horton, Joseph King, Stillman Hipson, Jerry Himen, Jerome Fraser, Edmond Santos, Joseph Silvey, Frank Church, Alfred Cutrue, Andrew Mews, James Butt, J. Porter and Henry Wilkie.

"We left Gloucester on May 23d. last, on a fishing trip. We first went to Arichat and purchased a Canadian license to enable us to get bait on any part of the Canadian coast. We paid one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per ton for this license. We went into a couple of other ports on Canadian coast, but got no bait. We then went to St. Pierre, looking for caplin bait. We got none there, and from St. Pierre we went to Miquelon but there was no caplin there.

"We left Miquelon on Wednesday, the 28th day of June, for Connaigre Bay. We arrived there that night. We hove up off Great Harbor after daylight on Thursday morning and sent a dory ashore. We went from there to several other parts of the bay to look for bait. We anchored in Pocket Thursday night and on Friday morning we anchored in Dawson's Cove, as some of the fishermen told me that there was herring to be had. I did not report at the customs. I did not want to, as I was in for bait. I did not want them to know that I was here. I bought from the fishermen at Dawson's Cove 19 barrels of herring, for which I paid 1.25 per bbls. That is all the herring that I bought here, and that is all that I have on board.

"I bought the 19 barrels of herring for exportation for bait purposes. I have them iced down in my bait pound self and the crew have to pay all bait bills. The owners do not pay anything towards the bait account. Every man on board is interested in the bait for the vessel.

"I have no license from the Newfoundland government to purchase or have those herring on board. I had an idea that my Canadian license might do me. I had no desire to wilfully violate the Fishery laws of Newfoundland, and did not think that by coming into Newfoundland waters and purchasing a few barrels of herring for bait I was doing anything very wrong. We are all sharemen on board and have been looking around for bait for nearly five weeks. It is nearly two months now since we caught any fish. We are poor fishermen and will feel our detention and loss very keenly.

"(Signed) Christopher Gibbs, Master Sch. Harmony.

"Declared before me this third day of July, A. D., 1911.

"Joseph O'Reilly, J. P. Commissioner.

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SAW SEA SERPENT.

So Say Party of Newburyport Fishermen Near Merrimac River.

A sea serpent was seen at the mouth of the Merrimac river yesterday afternoon by a party of Newburyport fishermen. The strange creature is described as about 10 feet long and resembled a seal. It jumped out of the water within a few yards of a boat which contained a party from Newburyport. Some of the old mariners who have heard the tale stated that it was probably a sea lizard.